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In re Application of:

Kovesdi et al,

Application No. 09/599,997

Art Unit: 1636

Examiner: McKelvey, T.

Filed: June 23, 2000

For: VIRAL VECTOR ENCODING  
PIGMENT EPITHELIUM-  
DERIVED FACTOR

**RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated January 24, 2003, please consider the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

*The Present Invention*

The present invention is directed to an adenoviral vector comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding pigment epithelium-derived factor (PEDF) or a therapeutic fragment thereof, wherein the nucleic acid sequence is operably linked to regulatory sequences necessary for expression of PEDF or a therapeutic fragment thereof and wherein the adenoviral vector is lacking all or part of the E1 region and all or part of the E4 region.

*The Pending Claims*

Claims 1, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, and 11-27 are pending. All of the pending claims are directed to the adenoviral vector described above.

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